

REMARKS

Independent claims 11 and 29 are amended. Claims 11-23 and 29-42 remain for consideration. All remaining claims are thought to be allowable over the cited art.

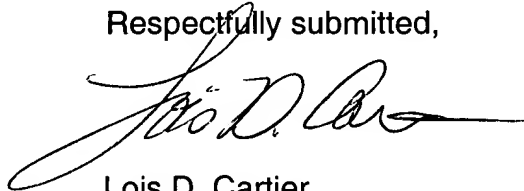
The rejections of claims 11-23 under 35 USC §102(e) as being anticipated by US patent number 6,657,426 to Powell (hereinafter "Powell"), and under 35 USC §103(a) as being unpatentable over Powell are respectfully traversed. The rejections are now moot, however, in view of the amendments made to the independent claims. Therefore, the rejections should be withdrawn.

The rejection of claims 29-42 under 35 USC §103(a) as being unpatentable over Powell is also traversed because a *prima facie* case of obvious has not been established, and the claims are thought to be patentable in view of the amendments made to independent claim 29.

CONCLUSION

Reconsideration and a notice of allowance are respectfully requested in view of the Remarks presented above. If the Examiner has any questions or concerns, a telephone call to the undersigned is invited.

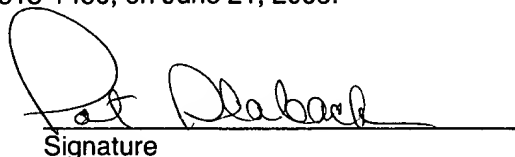
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